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SAPD Officer Involved Shooting

A preliminary investigation pertaining to an officer involved shooting reveals the following:

Just after 9:30 this morning, an on-duty, undercover police sergeant witnessed two suspects walking northbound on Laredo while consuming alcohol. The sergeant witnessed one of the suspects point what appeared to be a handgun at several passing motorists. The sergeant called for a uniformed cover officer and parked in the 900 block of S. Laredo to maintain surveillance on the suspect. Once the marked patrol car arrived at the scene, the undercover sergeant exited his vehicle with his badge displayed and identified himself as an SAPD officer. The suspect then reached into his pant pocket and said, "I (explicative) have something for you". As the sergeant saw the gun being pulled out of the suspects pant pocket, the sergeant fired one round at the suspect. The suspect was struck once in the torso. The suspect was transported to a local hospital with non-life threatening injuries. The weapon found on the suspect was a dark colored water pistol. It was determined the suspect had been consuming alcohol.

The shooting team is currently investigating the incident. As per department protocol Sergeant Joe Rios, a 25 veteran of the department, will be placed on administrative duty.

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